

## Get More Enjoyment Out Of Your Stamps

### Program For Annual Open House Meeting Of Garfield-Perry Club Is Adaptable For Other Stamp Clubs

The fifth annual Open House meeting of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, of Cleveland, is to be held on the evening of November 20th and the event is one that attracts the biggest crowd of any of the one day stamp events that is held by any Club that we have ever known of. The event is so successful that stamp clubs in every part of the country could profit by patterning a meeting after this event.

The program for the meeting is printed herewith, together with a brief announcement of the affair and similar meetings for any date can be planned accordingly.

### Army Postal Service Salvages Mail From South Pacific Ship

The resourcefulness of an Army postal unit saved a substantial portion of 15,000 letters and 475 bags of other mail in a ship sunk recently at a wharf in New Guinea by Japanese gunfire.

Difficult salvage operations retrieved many mail bags which had been immersed in water heavily coated with thick black oil.

The postal unit dried the recovered mail in the sun. Attempts at deciphering obliterated and partly obliterated addresses succeeded far beyond expectations.

Nearly one third of the retrieved mail was dispatched immediately. Where addresses could not be made out, many owners were located by the advertising of the senders' names and addresses in Army routine orders.

Official reports show that Army postal units are going to endless trouble to ensure delivery of letters to New Guinea troops under the greatest difficulties. Native porters, whose loyalty and hard work have earned the admiration and gratitude of the Australians in New Guinea, are assisting the postal service in getting mails through mountain and jungle to soldiers in forward areas.

### RE VOX POP LETTER

"All surplus funds of the A. P. S. are in Government Bonds, the trust agreement with the Midland Trust Co., of Mpls., provides that all the reserve funds shall be invested in obligations of the U. S. Government and nothing else. Doubtless the trustees will from time to time place some of the funds in War Bonds, but anyhow the Government has the use of all A. P. S. reserve funds.

### P. O. SELLS SCRAP

Paper, metal, old mail bags, and other scrap salvaged by the post offices of Great Britain in the last two years is reported to have sold for more than \$2,900,000.—D. D. L.



There were but two new plate numbers released from the Post-office department at Washington during the month of September. Both of them being the new 3c Win The War Stamp, 400 subject plates of the electric eye type. Numbers are 22971 and 22972.

During the month of September six new plates were sent to press for printing additional stamps. Plates number 22894 and 22895 were of the 2c Presidential stamp, 170 subject plates which went to press on September 9th. Plates number 22910 and 22911 were of the 3c Presidential stamp, 170 subject plates and were sent to press on September 25th. The other two were plates 22839 and 22840, both 400 subject electric eye plates, sent to press on September 4th., for the 8c Presidential value.

During October, there were also six plates sent to press for printing additional stamps, these were all of the 3c Win The War stamp, all 400 subject electric eye plates and the numbers and dates are as follows: Plates 22961-2, October 2; Plates 22965-6, October 28 and Plates 22967-8, October 31st.

During the entire month of October, no new plate numbers from new printings were issued from the Department. We have previously remarked that it appeared that the stock on hand was being built up that the number of stamps needed for the Nation's business was probably less than under ordinary times. Such large volumes of mail are going under government Franks and all soldiers mail is free, whereas these men if at home would use a considerable quantity of stamps in the course of a month. It will be interesting to note the next report of the Postmaster General with regard to use of stamps during this war period.

It is interesting to note that during the months of September and October, there is no mention of any of the Defense stamps, in any values, either as being printed or as having new plates made. This seems to lend weight to the rumors that new designs may be prepared for the 1c and 2c value, to replace these two Defense issues. Collectors of First Day Covers will need keep on their toes for such an announcement.

### Danish King Injured In Fall From Horse

Reports from the International News Service say that the condition of King Christian of Denmark has taken a sudden turn for the worse and is now considered serious.

King Christian was injured recently when he fell from his horse while riding through the streets of Copenhagen. He was taken to a hospital suffering from head injuries. He is 72 years old. Stamp collectors have long been familiar with the portrait of King Christian X of Denmark as he was first pictured on the stamps

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### Those Neglected South American Countries Offer Pleasure And Profit With Less Competition

The thought for this discussion was given us by the sale by H. R. Harmer, Inc., of New York, of two outstanding collections of South American stamps on October 26th, 27th and 28th.

In each instance the collections were those of single countries, one being a sale of the stamps in broken up lots, the other being the sale of the collection of a country in one lot. We are advised that in each instance the prices realized were considered very satisfactory. The point to be brought out by these sales is the fact that stamps of any country will find a ready market if built into a

### New York Sun Article On Censorship Labels Believed Misleading

Too often in the past, newspaper stamp columns have been edited by men who were capable writers, yet lacked sufficient philatelic knowledge to distinguish the finer points of stamps and stamp collecting. As a result much misinformation was printed in such columns.

There was a little item in the New York Sun of a couple weeks ago which we reprinted in our columns last week and which only after reading in our own columns, did we get a point that we now question.

Let us quote a part of this item, then read it carefully and note what it says. The complete article is in the first column of our issue of November 12. We quote a few words: "It is interpreted by philatelic leaders as meaning, for one thing, that the collecting of censors' labels and seals, will be looked upon by the censorship authorities with disfavor and as being unpatriotic."

Certainly no person who could be recognized as a leading philatelist would ever make such an interpretation of the order that was issued. The order issued was specifically to forbid the sending of such labels and seals through the mail to other countries just the same as stamps were forbidden. Some collectors collect these things after they have been soaked and removed from envelopes and it is to forbid traffic in these labels either on or off cover, in the foreign mails. To collect them on covers that come in the mails to this country certainly is no objectionable act and in no way an unpatriotic act. If such were the case, the blooming things ought to be removed from letters at the border and never let inside the country.

### SOMETHINGS' WACCY

While the WAVES have franking privileges, the WAACs are still attempting to have the privilege renewed. The WAACs, shortly after their organization, were entitled to write "Free" on their letters, but the war department removed the privilege.

of 1913. Many stamps have since been issued showing him in later years.

He is seen riding his horse on the 10 ore stamp of 1937 and a statue of the King on his horse is seen on the 15 ore stamp of the same series which was issued that year to commemorate the 25th anniversary of his reign.

The Nazis are taking advantage of his condition to strengthen their hold on Denmark.

—H. R. Ludington\*

thorough or specialized collection of importance. While we say any country, we would probably prefer many certain ones in preference to others, but no matter what the country, if you would build a fine collection of that country you can always find a ready sale and usually at a profitable figure, for it must be considered that to build a collection such as we suggest that you would probably spend five to ten years time in searching and gathering the material that would finally go into it and stamps have a natural way of increasing in value as the years roll by.

However the best and most interesting and attractive part of making a collection of many countries other than our own United States is that you immediately take yourself out of the highly competitive market for U. S. stamps and enter into a market where you can more or less set your own price on lots of the items you take a fancy to.

If more collectors would seriously take up the collecting of one single country on a highly specialized basis, they would find much more enjoyment and interest in their new field than they get from a mediocre collection of United States stamps and we say mediocre because under present conditions about 80 to 90 per cent of the collectors who gather United States stamps have collections which are comparable with those of other collectors and as a result, all are more or less alike in a general way and no great interest or enthusiasm can be aroused with such a collection. These collectors usually get their greatest satisfaction over gloating over exhibits of fine things which they never hope to possess.

On the other hand, if a large number of these same collectors would have spent the same amount of money in a collection of some one foreign country, that they would have been able to build a collection that was so interesting, so attractive and so different, that it would gain attention whenever shown.

There are thousands of collectors in this country who have investments of \$500 to \$1000 in a collection of United States stamps, yet lack almost everything in outstanding pieces, in pieces that are

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## COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS Of The British Empire

### HONG-KONG.

To the island colony of Hong-Kong belongs the distinction of having created the first commemorative postage stamp to be issued within the British Empire. In celebration of the Fiftieth anniversary of the British occupation, authority was given for the overprinting of 50,000 copies of the contemporary 2 cents stamp with the superscription "1841—Hong-Kong—JUBILEE—1891," in which form they were placed on sale to the public on January 22nd, 1891, for a period of three days only, during which time no more than 25 copies was allowed to any one applicant. This was done in order to prevent speculation, and, judging by the catalogue value of this stamp after the passing of another half-century, must have proved fairly successful.

The Jubilee overprint was applied locally by the firm of Noronha & Sons, the type being set up so as to cover two horizontal rows of six stamps at each impression; thus each sheet had to be passed five times through the press before the overprinting was completed. Certain well-defined varieties occur, in the overprint, notably a short "u" in JUBILEE (No. 1 in the setting); thin "k" in KONG (No. 3); broken "I" in 1891 (No. 7); also short "J" in JUBILEE and wide space between "o" and "n" of HONG. Besides these there exists a double overprint, which is exceedingly rare.

Fifty years after, a second and

more ambitious issue of special stamps commemorated the Centenary of the foundation of the Colony. In this instance the stamps were six in number, engraved and recess printed by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., Ltd., at New Malden, Surrey, after photographic subjects supplied by Mr. E. A. von Kobzar, set in frame designs prepared by a local philatelist, Mr. W. E. Jones. Most interesting is, perhaps, that of the \$1 stamp, which contrasts old and new methods of mail communication as exemplified by an old-time China Clipper and a modern mail-carrying aeroplane.

Owing to delay in transportation, the Centenary stamps were not finally released for sale until February 26th, 1941, remaining on sale until the fall of Hong-Kong in December following, by which time supplies of most values were exhausted. Numbers printed of each denomination were as follows:—2 cents, 1,500,000; 4c., 1,000,000; 5c., 4,800,000; 15c., 1,600,000; 25c., 720,000; \$1, 480,000. A second printing of the 4 cents value was made

it is understood, towards the end of 1941, but it seems doubtful whether this ever reached the Colony.

Judging by the relative scarcity of the various values, considerable quantities must have been "lost through enemy action." Despite the relatively large printing the \$1 denomination is by no means plentiful in used condition. It was employed chiefly to defray the air mail fee on letters to the United States, and very few were left on hand by the early part of December last. First to be "sold out" was the 15 cents in October, followed by the 2 cents in November, 1931.

—Stamp Collecting, London.

## Postage Stamp Portraits Of Literary Highlights Robert Louis Stevenson

By Michael Harrison

The fame of Robert Louis Stevenson presents some incongruous features: he is as well known to day as he was in his lifetime, but the details of his life, which were matters of common knowledge fifty years ago, have been all but forgotten since by the majority of people. Indeed, I have often heard Stevenson referred to as an American, a misconception possibly based on the fact that he lived for some time in the States; though, again, it may be due to the extremely foreign-looking moustache that Stevenson cultivated.

He was born in Edinburgh in 1850, and, despite the apparent evidence of the moustache to the contrary, he was a Scotsman born and bred. His father was an engineer, and it was intended that young Robert should follow his father's profession when he left school. His early years were marked by ill-health; he seems to have been always an ailing lad, but his childish illnesses were not sufficiently severe to have prevented his going to school and there receiving the best of a Scots education. The most serious crisis of childhood occurred when he was eight years old; then he nearly died of a gastric fever, but he recovered his health to such an extent that he was able, soon after his eighteenth birthday, to be bound as a pupil-apprentice to an engineering concern at Anstruther. For all his inherent weakness of constitution, he liked the life of an engineering works: the hard labour, the rough living, the endless variety of contacts with other men. Nor, in spite of an "artistic" temperament, was Stevenson unwilling to accept his parents' choice of a career. He worked well at his studies; so well, indeed, that, in 1871 he earned the silver medal of the Edinburgh Society of Arts. All his life he was to show that his conception of an artist's life did not include any license to be erratic in conduct; in fact, it was almost by chance that R. L. S. turned eventually to literature for a livelihood, though he would always have written. That his bent for writing was congenital and realized by him is shown by his having published, at the age of sixteen, an anonymous pamphlet on the Pentland Rising; nothing very remarkable this, except as evidence of his latent literary gift; but his "Charity Bazaar," published when he was eighteen, though slight is a delightful little trifle, and clearly foreshadows R. L. S.'s future mastery of English. (He was christened, by the way, Robert Lewis, but changed the second name, quite early in life, to the form now familiar to us.) Yet he did not allow his taste for writing to interfere with his father's plans; he continued to work diligently at his engineering studies until it became evident that his health would no longer permit it, and then, when his father suggested the legal profession as a substitute for engineering, he began to study as diligently for that. Four years later—in 1875—he was called to the Scottish Bar.

The rest of his life is better known, though by no means as well as it should be. Always he had to struggle against ill-health; and his travels across Europe and, later, across America were mostly

### RUBBING IT IN

Hardly anyone but soldiers do business at the postoffices in the army camps, yet we hear that these offices are posting the same kind of recruiting posters as are displayed in city postoffices, posters which read, "Serve Your States with many illustrations. Country in the United States Army, or 'Join The Marines.'" Sort of seems like rubbing it in.

—Joe Koschwanez\*

travels in search of health. He never practised as a lawyer, owing to having no settled abode; and it was inevitable, then, that he should turn to literature, not only for a recreation but also for a subsistence. Time has proved the wisdom of his choice.

He met, while living in the South of France, a Miss Osborne. Hearing that, on her return to America, she had fallen seriously ill, he followed her and on her recovery married her. While in the States he knew considerable poverty, but after a year or so spent in the squalor of a mining settlement (an experience which was later used in his tale, "The Silverado Squatter") he brought his wife home to Edinburgh. Soon after that Stevenson's father died, and now that no tie remained to bind R. L. S. to his native land he embarked on that long journey which was to lead him eventually to Samoa. In that island, ruling a native clan with the benevolent authority of a good Scots laird, he wrote some of his best work and spent some of his happiest years. He loved the natives, and took up their cause with vigour and effect; so much so that his denunciation of a corrupt (German) administration was instrumental in achieving the dismissal of the two principal offenders—the President of the Council, Baron Senft, and the Chief Justice, Herr Cedercrantz.

Nor will his defense of the martyr, Father Damien, be soon forgotten. Stevenson hated injustice and all mean things, and his books have a high moral purpose as well as the intention to entertain; and like a number of other famous men, he well appreciated the comradely bonds which unite philatelists. Some say that he was a practicing philatelist; but, whether that be true or not, it is certain that he had a considerable knowledge of philately. In his novel, "The Wreckers, there are lengthy and detailed references, not only to philately, but to the joy that all true philatelists find in their hobby. "Ah, sir," Denman, the butler, says to Mr. Dodsley, "when I heard you was a collector, I dropped all. It's a saying of mine, Mr. Dodsley, that collecting stamps makes all collectors kin. It's a bond, sir; it creates a bond!" Well spoken, indeed!

New Zealand commemorated Stevenson on her stamps: in the pictorial series for Western Samoa, printed by De La Rue & Co., in London, and issued on August 7th, 1935. Pictures of Stevenson's home, "Vailima," and his tomb on Mount Vaea, appear on the 6d. and 1s. values of that series respectively. A portrait of R. L. S. appears on the 7d value of a short set printed by Bradbury, Wilkinson, and issued, on August 29th, 1929, to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of New Zealand's mandate over the Samoa Group. This design is the work of a New Zealand artist named L. C. Mitchell.

—Stamp Collecting, London.

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245	4c Trans-Miss.	1.20	.63	73	.39	158	.02
246	5c Trans-Miss.	1.50	.90	76	1.00	159	.14
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249	1c Pan-American	.97	.17	88	.19	163	1.45
250	2c Pan-American	1.40	.19	90	2.20	165	1.00
251	3c Pan-American	8.25	.92	92	2.60	166	4.80
252	4c Pan-American	.92	.29	94	.07	172	.06
253	5c Pan-American	.92	.56	96	1.45	179	.32
254	10c Pan-American	11.90	1.70	97	1.25	182	.04
255	15c Pan-American	14.50	1.45	98	2.20	183	.02
256	1c Louisiana	1.60	.28	112	1.40	184	.01
257	2c Louisiana	2.60	.26	113	.55	185	.16
258	3c Louisiana	1.35	1.25	114	.09	186	.32
259	4c Louisiana	14.75	1.55	115	1.55	187	.29
260	5c Louisiana	3.60	.98	116	1.55	188	.35
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296	5c Valley Forge	.24	.06				
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What with our own soldier boys now in Liberia, interest in the line of the issues this increased interest can continue for some time. Collectors should be about fed up with the questionable French issues, and welcome an issue such as these new Liberian Animal stamps.

Interest in any stamps is increased and heightened by a knowledge of the subjects pictured and through the cooperation of Mr. Jacques Koepel, recently appointed as Philatelic Advisor to the Liberian Government, we are able to give a very interesting description of the animals shown on this new set.

### 1 Cent—Royal Antelope

Can you imagine an antelope ten inches high and twenty inches long, in fact, just about the size of a rabbit except that its legs are a little longer. Well, here is just such a pretty little fellow and he lives in Liberia and he is called the Royal Antelope.

He will be seen in his natural color on one of the new Liberia Zoo set of six, which will soon be announced for release.

In fact, it seems this is a pygmy animal. He has very fine little feet, no side hoofs, and slim little legs. His forehead and ridge of his nose are a gray-black, but his body is a gorgeous golden brown. His horns are only three quarters of an inch in size and almost smooth. He was named Royal Antelope because he was formerly referred to as the "King of Hearts."

He is a mighty clever little fellow though. He seems to know that his golden-brown body is a fine match with the brown of leaves and bark, and he is adept at hiding himself because he is very shy. But he is quick as a flash and because of his speed and ability to make tremendous leaps, he is rarely captured.

No specimens have ever been obtained out of Liberia, but the stamp illustrations, taken from life, will show him just as he is and give to stamp collectors a picture of an animal few people, outside of Liberia, have ever seen.

### 2 cents—Water Chevrotain

Among the animals to be shown on the new Liberia Zoo issue will be a most remarkable little fellow, known as the Water Chevrotain.

In size, full grown, he is about three feet long—to the root of his tail from his nose. His tail, a soft, duster-like little thing, is about another seven inches long, and he stands about two feet high.

He is mighty good to look at because his coat is a deep rich reddish brown and it is decorated with white spots and streaks.

Very little has ever been told of this clever little fellow. It seems scientists sort of overlooked him a bit, and therefore he will now have his "inning" on one of the Liberia Zoo stamps. He is a cunning, intelligent little rascal. Natives of the interior have great regard for the little fellow's cleverness and they respect him highly.

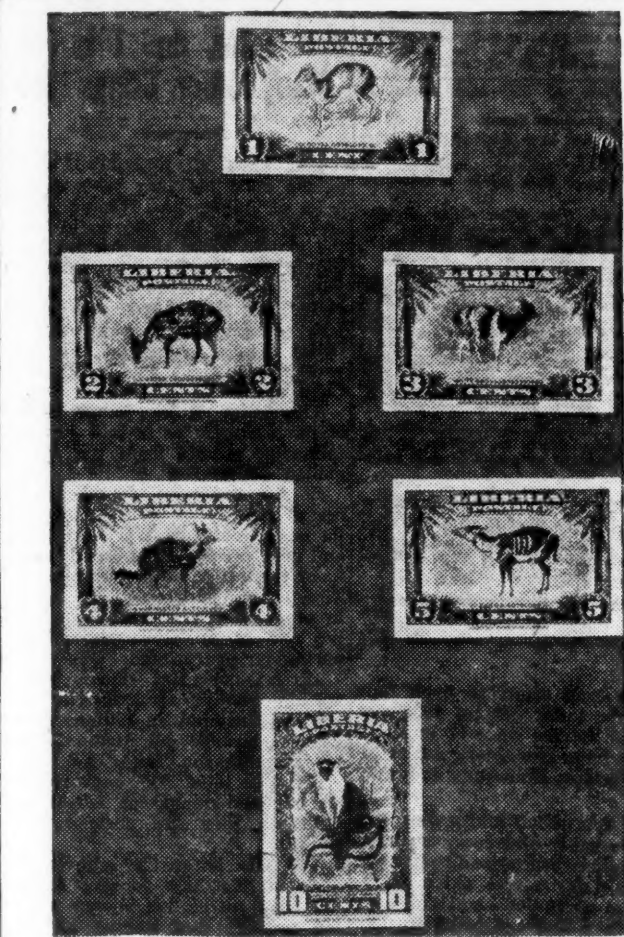
They say he sleeps with his eyes open and therefore one cannot surprise him. He swims, dives, and natives claim (although a mammal) that he eats fish. He will remain in the water submerged all day with just his nose above the surface.

The natives vow that this little animal will crawl or climb up onto stream and will stretch out flat. Its coat then is practically the same as the bark of the tree or branch and it is quite difficult to distinguish it—but the moment he thinks he is seen, down into the stream he dives.

### 3 cents—White-shouldered Duiker

Deep in the jungles of Liberia lives an animal that, like others there, has never been seen or talked about outside of Liberia but which, however, is almost daily topic among the various interior native tribes of Liberia. For that reason, the Government of Liberia, will devote one of the stamps of the forthcoming Zoo issue, soon to be released, to this little-known Cephalophine (Antelope, to the layman).

It is the White Shouldered Duiker, but to Liberians it is known



as Four Eyes. He is a large fellow, this Four Eyes. He is the size of a large sheep. His coloring, a very unusual one, is what gives him his name of White Shouldered. He is a sort of hazel-nut brown, but from his fore ankle on one side, to the fore ankle on the other, runs a broad white band directly across his withers or shoulders—and hence the name White Shouldered Antelope, but his moniker, Four Eyes, is a name known and understood and with the same meaning in practically every native tribal dialect. This Four Eyes name comes because the native tribes believe that the two large slits (they are really glands) on either side of the nose just below the eyes are an extra pair of "lookers," and that while one pair is asleep, the other pair is awake—and therefore it makes it almost impossible to capture. A few have been taken.

He is a shy beast and is found living in marshes or deep in the jungle close to river banks. He is

a very unusual animal and, among other characteristics, possesses large glands on either side just inside his thighs and, using his nose, he rubs fat out and off of these glands and on to his body to lubricate his good-looking coat.

The stamp showing this animal will be engraved from an actual photo in natural color.

### 4 cents—Harnezzed Antelope

The famous Bongo Antelope of Liberia which has been pictured by the Government from time to time on stamps will not be included in the jungle animals depicted on the coming Zoological Issue—but there will be a stamp devoted to the Bongo's "competitor" for beauty.

It is the Harnezzed Antelope, and a most beautiful animal.

It has a gorgeous coat of long hair, red gold in color, with brilliant stripes of white, like a Zebra, but also with white dots. The bands and dots are so located as to give an appearance of the animal being in a white harness.

Therefore its name, "Harnezzed Antelope."

The stamps showing the Harnezzed Antelope will be engraved, like the others of the set, in the animal's natural colors.

### 5 cents—Zebra Antelope

The Liberian Zebra Antelope sounds like a big animal but this attractive cute little fellow, which will be shown on one of the stamps of the new bi-colored set of six soon to be released by Liberia, is only about sixteen inches high at his shoulders—but he is one of the most attractive of all animals with his zebra stripes of black or red brown against his deep orange brown body.

His horns are only about two inches long in the male, and the female's are about one inch.

He lives deep in the jungles of Liberia and few specimens have ever been brought out of the interior. However, the stamp, which depicts this animal's beauty, will show him in his natural colors. Taken from life, it will give to the stamp collector a record of an animal that many natural historians do not have.

### 10 cents—Bay-Thighed Diana Monkey

It is the 10c value showing Liberia's famous Diana Monkey, which is said to be perhaps the most beautiful of all mammals. Picture, if you can, a broad-faced monkey with a streak of pure white from ear to ear—and from the ears, show white down each side covering chest and running down, front only, each foreleg until the white is lost in the bluish tinge of the fore feet. Meanwhile, remember that the entire face is steel blue. Now add to this a steel gray body, with the outer edge and inside of the thighs a flaming chestnut red.

It is difficult to visualize the beauty of this animal. The natives have nicknamed him "Dandy Jack" and it fits well because he is a vain fellow and takes great pleasure in showing off his color and beauty, and strikes all kinds of cute and attractive postures to show off.

With it all, he is one of the most charming of pets, and has a cute little cry of pleasure for approaching friends. His colors are almost as like the gorgeous colors of birds. If you can imagine a monkey of such beauty that he is said to be the most fascinating of all animals, then you can get a small idea of the 10c stamp of the new Liberian Stamp of the Animal issue. It has never before been shown and it seems to be destined to the honor spot in every stamp collector's album.

## U. S. Commemorative Stamp Facts

(Reprinted from the booklet of the same title by Captain A. C. Townsend.)

### THE CHARLESTON STAMP

The 250th anniversary of the founding of Charleston, S. C., fell in 1930 and the Charleston Stamp Club seized the opportunity to agitate for a new stamp. The club took it up with the city council, it passed a petition to congress, and the matter was on its way to a successful conclusion. The stamp is much more attractive than the Mass. Bay stamp, but one third the number were printed and it very quickly became rather scarce.

The design is engraved from a sketch by Mr. H. F. Church, of Charleston, the central figures being those of Governor West and Shaddo, a friendly Indian chief. Two ships of the time appear in the background, with rice and indigo plants at the sides.

The 2c—Colonial Governor and Indian—was issued on April 10, 1930, flat plate, perf. 11, unwater-

marked, and is recorded only in carmine rose, with no known minor varieties. 25,215,574 were issued from plates 20061, 20062, 20063, and 20064.

First day covers are from Charleston only, and the following day, April 11th, the stamp was on sale at the Agency.

### NOVEL SUGGESTION

A reader makes the suggestion that we start a "Sporting Page" or column. The idea being that most newspapers carry such a column. This reader thinks that a clever collector who is interested in sports stamps could write some very interesting matter associated with such issues. It seems like a good suggestion to create interest in such stamps. Have we a reader who is capable of the task.

## Wooden Nickels To Take Back Seat For Plastic In Making Small Coins

According to a clipping from H. R. Ludington from the Oregon Journal, Plastic coins of new denominations below the dime might be minted as a result of studies now being made by treasury officials, it was disclosed today.

Mint authorities are considering asking legislation authorizing the minting of entirely new coins to meet the metal shortages and increasing use of small change in payment of such taxes as sales levies.

The coins would include half-cent pieces, which could be used to pay sales taxes, and 3-cent pieces for newspapers and stamps. Other denominations are known to be under consideration also.

Mint Directors Nellie Tayloe Ross recently said glass had been tried but was dropped when it developed that machinery capable of handling such small products was not available.

Australian newspaper also report shortage of small change and the use of postage stamps has been considered to care for the shortage.

One incident is mentioned where a large store gave stamps in change to customers who attempted to turn the stamps in for pur-

chase at another counter and were advised the proprietors can not accept stamps.

## Bert Brownier Is Made Lieutenant In Signal Corps, Now In Florida

Friends of Bert Brownier, formerly associate with Risinger at Stow, Ohio, will be pleased to learn Bert has been named a Second Lieutenant in the Signal Corps. Bert is justly proud of his new stripes and has the best wishes of his friends all over Ohio.

In a recent letter he praises our effort in putting the News in U. S. O. Clubs and says he feels sure many boys will appreciate the contact with the "home front."

Bert also says, "I think your tabloid setup is 'on the beam.'"

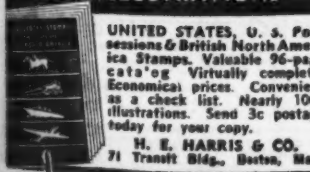
"In case you are wondering how I like the army I can tell you that it is definitely 'okay' by me. I have been in 39 states (29 that I hadn't seen before,) spent last winter in California and in Florida this winter. Have a steady job and plenty of food and recreation, and who knows, I may soon tour the world for a short (I hope) period. I don't think I could have done any better as a civilian."

Sort of make: one envy the fortunate boys in the army.

Pasadena collectors may be interested in an adult stamp club which is to meet every Thursday night at the home of E. A. Allen, 916 North Chester Avenue. —Joe Koschwanez\*

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## OF INTEREST TO EVERY READER

About this time in 1938 we made a great effort to book four year subscriptions at \$1.00 each. During the latter part of 1938 and the first part of 1939 over 1200 such subscriptions were entered. At that time the surplus cash was used for a large machinery purchase, which was eventually lost when the business at Columbus collapsed as a result of our entry into this war.

You who have stuck with us through this period know what has happened since. Our efforts to salvage this paper and carry on have been successful thus far. Our needs and our expenses are small, yet there are certain things that must be paid for as we move along. Thus far we have been able to meet these obligations and our own personal obligations have been whittled down and are being further whittled down until our personal needs are getting less and less as the months roll along.

However we would feel much better if we had a backlog of a thousand dollars which sum would permit us to look toward the future with much more ease and confidence than we do today. No one knows what is to be the outcome of the present situation. We all feel and believe that eventually we shall succeed in our undertaking to clean out the vandals in Europe and Asia, but how much we must sacrifice and how much we must do without before that time is here is something that none of us know much about.

We carefully watch the trend of affairs in the stamp world for it is from that source that we must garner enough to produce this paper and provide it for you and in return get our own bread and butter and a roof to sleep under. Our wants are few, we know almost to the penny just how much it is going to cost us to operate and live during the coming months. What we have been able to spare thus far has been put into three of the small war bonds and we hope we can leave it there and get some more. We watch the trend of things in the stamp world and as we see it, many of the smaller dealers who in the past have spent some money for advertising space, have gone to war or into war work and their dollars no longer can be of help to us. For the older dealers, many of these people have been confronted with difficult situations in that they have lost employees who have gone to war or who have gone into war work factories for higher pay. As a result a lot of these dealers take the attitude that they have about all the business they can handle themselves and have no great need for much advertising for new business, and besides many prospects for any stamp dealer are now at war and thus their trade has suffered. All this reflects itself in your stamp papers. We too suffer from inability to get help and keep it because of more attractive wages elsewhere. We suffer from lack of advertising patronage and must constantly strive to get business that will help us keep above the water line.

Our paper is not alone in this situation, the other publishers may not be so frank with you in admitting these facts but they are faced by all. This should be quickly evident from the fact that one weekly folded up entirely and another one changed to a monthly. Only lack of sufficient patronage to make them profitable caused these events.

Some might say to us, why did you cut your rate to 25c per year from 50c per year, why did you not raise it to \$1.00. The facts of the matter are that we are receiving more money for subscriptions under this low rate than we received under the higher rate. Our costs are low, only a small increase in advertising volume will take care of the loss in the subscription money. In our classified columns we have learned that classified advertising is just as interesting to our readers as would be so much news matter and we get paid for the classified advertisements that we print and if we can carry a page or more of such advertising, the income is of material help. This then brings us up to the matter of display advertising. A cut in price from our basic inch rate would only cause those dealers who still look at an inch as an inch regardless of what it costs, to continue to use the inch and make the saving for themselves. It should have been apparent to dealers who have bought on the inch basis that with a rate for two inches that is as low or lower than other papers charge for a single inch, this should have caused them to use the larger space and would have brought them better results for one can not offer much in a single inch space.

Thus to get around this situation and increase our net cash return from display space we are making an announcement that will be of great interest to every dealer who really wants to get some more business for it is offers of stamps that bring orders and to many collectors the advertisements are the most interesting part of the paper, so we are making an offer of large space at prices unheard of in Philatelic Newspaper advertising. Dealers who have never before used big space should now be tempted. Results are certain to come if you have good material and make the offers in attractive form.

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before us and the matter of survival is going to be one that every small business firm in America will have to worry about in the months to come. We believe we can depend on our readers to give their support.

## T Is For 'Tis And T Is For 'Taint, And T Is For Many Other Things Too

You have all probably heard of the good old lady who made a lot of Apple and Grape jelly and in order that she could tell the glasses apart she marked the top of the Apple jelly glasses with a large T for 'Tis apple jelly and in this way she thought she could tell them apart.

The letter T has many philatelic uses also as is told in the following clipping from the Australian Philatelist.

I. An overprint found upon certain stamps of South Australia issued between 1868 and 1874 and used upon the correspondence from the office of the Treasurer. They were suppressed in 1874, in favor of the general issue for the use of all Government departments overprinted "OS."

II. An overprint shown upon certain stamps of Bulgaria issued in Rustchuk in 1901 as provisional postage due stamps. The letter stands for "taxe," i.e., tax.

III. The letter "T" overprinted on various stamps of Abyssinia indicates they are postage due stamps.

IV. The letter "T" shown in each of the four corners forms the only inscription shown upon the postage due stamps of the Dominican Republic.

V. The special local stamps of Peru used in Huacho were all overprinted with a large "T" enclosed within a circle.

VI. Many of the stamps of Tasmania were punctured with a large "T" for use on official correspondence.

VII. An abbreviation for "taxe," a surcharge on certain stamps converting them into postage dues.

There are perhaps many other stamps where the use of the T is prominent, one that we think of is the early stamps of Tunis punched with large perforated holes in the form of a letter T and for use as Postage Due stamps, from 1888 to 1891.

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## Pioneer Philatelic Phalanx

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Reports from our Board of Governors and Field Commander show that Tennessee State has enrolled another large platoon. Thro' Major Carrington Bacon, during Col. Hooper's visit, to Memphis, Tenn, forty-two honorary and life members have been enrolled with several others nominated. Nashville and Knoxville are expected to place large contingents.

The visit to New Orleans developed into a unique exhibit made by Col. Hooper, who had several frames filled with rarities of the 19th century stamps, also cards of covers from world notables, together with philatelic trophies, medals, etc. President L. O. Reuning, head of the Philatelic Society of New Orleans, introduced the speaker at the reception and welcome, given in the beautiful "Monte Leone" auditorium, where a large number joined the Phalanx. This select society has as its officers:—President, L. O. Reuning; vice-pres. Geo. D. Hood; past-pres. L. V. Huber; secy., Mary V. Pagaud; treas., A. H. Mueller, assisted by E. H. Heintzen and Douglas Watson, on the Board. Col. Hooper paid visits to many noted philatelists, among whom were H. K. Frederick, president Stamp Club, APS, SPA, Raymond Weill, stamp dealer, whose father is on the Phalanx "Memory Roll," and his son is now in the U. S. Army active war service. Col. and Mrs. Hooper were presented with Honorary Life Memberships in the Phil. Socy of New Orleans.

The visit to the Dallas Stamp Club was a delight to the visitors, and a surprise to the members. After introduction by our old-timer state Representative, Harry Stratford, past president of the Dallas Club, an auction was held in which twenty new and old members of the Phalanx participated. After the auction Col. Hooper showed over 100 items of philatelic interest passing same to the audience as he spoke upon the origin of same.

The great rally held at Fort Worth was a splendid success, held in the "Baker Auditorium," and a large audience. Unlike the Dallas meet (which was purely male,) the Ft. Worth Philatelic

Society was a mixed audience, in which very many women joined with the men in the special welcome reception to Col. and Mrs. Hooper. The registry showed 31 Phalanx and Auxiliary present beside a large number of younger philatelists from 30 to 40 age. The Col. gave an address "Down Life's Pathway with Philately," illustrating same with his marvelous and unique exhibits of old records, 19th century stamps, beautifully mounted behind the many glass frames. After the lecture and exhibit a vote of thanks was passed to Col. & Mrs. Hooper, and Charles W. Brock, (on behalf of the Texas Philatelic Association Incorp. 1886,) were presented with honorary memberships in that outstanding State body, together with an illuminated testimonial for their services during the recent annual held at Houston, "Deep in the Heart of Texas."

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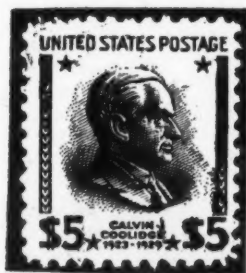
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Due to oncoming age, Mr. Fratcher has been attempting to dispose of his stock for the past few years and because of its value, there was not a lot of the dealers who were in a position to buy. Like most big stocks of this nature, it has been a tremendous job to find out exactly what is in it and of how much value, but for years past Mr. Fratcher has been carefully sorting, counting and wrapping in packages, thousands of dollars worth of stamps, many of which are much in demand today. The stock was principally of United States stamps, with some foreign, and a great amount of fine coins and currency.

The sale of this stock to the Tatham Stamp and Coin Co., of Springfield, Mass., removes from the ranks of American Stamp Dealers one of its most colorful figures. Well do we remember at the A. P. S. convention in Washington, the convention prior to the last Washington Convention, Bill Fratcher held the entire gathering in a state of anticipation with his story of a great find of 1847's with the statement that there were so many of them that he was going to give a cover to everyone in attendance. His story was so vivid, so real, that others like myself, sat there in quiet anticipation of a handsome cover, then Bill woke up, it was all a dream.

Mr. McIntosh has informed us by letter that this large stock will be placed in their files and that some splendid offers will then be made in special advertisements to the readers of Linn's Weekly.

Such news as we have had thus far is but meagre and we hope to have further announcements on this transaction for a later issue.

## Strip Tease Stamp Auction Is Held By Dead Letter Office

Postal employees of the Dead Letter Office at Washington held a most unusual auction of stamps and coins on November 10th at Washington.

The catalogue was a two sheet mimeographed affair listing 188 lots of stamps, covers, coins etc. No mail bids were accepted, description of lots were very meagre and it is probable that those fortunate enough to be there in person may have picked up some very good bargains. It is believed that much of this material was material that in the ordinary case goes into the dead letter office when delivery can not be made or owner located for return of the goods. Other material is probably confiscated stamps coming in from foreign countries.

It is of course teasing to anyone to offer a box of stamps under such conditions and ask for an offer on it. The box may contain a few thousand common mixed worth a dollar or it may contain a very fine lot of rare stamps worth several hundred dollars, who knows. Throughout the descriptions we note many lots listed as, "one box foreign stripped and packets" or "one box foreign, canceled, unstripped."

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W. B. Hoover,  
38 West 25th Street  
New York, N. Y.

### Win The War.

Slowly but surely we see an item here and there. This week W. O. Thiede of Appleton, Wis. sends one in to look over. Shortly after the overprinting went into effect Cheney Bros. of Manchester Conn. started using a printed integral precancel. By now the known varieties should make quite a collection. The Win The War item for this week is of course from Manchester, Conn. dated Sept. 42. With this item was a 2c Defense same overprint and both

normal. This type is very neat, set up in two sizes of a light six point gothic and between short bars with plenty of spacing. These are the kind of precancels that give the game its fascination.

### V bureaus.

In Hoovers recent auction list reference is made to some one suggesting to the government that instead of using lines on the government printed precancels make them up with three dots and a dash, etc. The idea seems hot but if put into practice will surely put a cramp in bureau collectors' pocketbooks. The one thing that made precancels a more or less staid form of collecting was that changes in the types used were not often made. Only three distinct types in almost twenty years. Any printer will tell you that a lot of difficulty will be encountered in trying to make those dots print. There will ALWAYS be some of them that wont print. Too they would be easily broken out. Of course this would be a Roman Holiday for the Fly speck collector but a pain to others. Yet the idea still seems good.

### This and That.

A few recent pickups. 1c Defense Putney Vt. U-16. They have been using a rubber handstamp there till recently....Boulder Colo. 1c Defense U-12. 3c Defense Babson Park, Fla. U-121N; 3c Defense Franklin, Ind. U-120; 25c Presidential Newport, R. I. U-120 inv....Noted some sales books recently having the 5c Wallons and 5c Lexingtons in them. These are from an era of way back when a lot of unnecessary stuff happened to get precanceled. It seemed that at that time some one stood to lose on their investment in these things especially if they were the second or third buys of the material. Ever changing course of events have finally worked in favor of these items and they are now being priced right up with ordinary used copies. I doubt that these items, except in rare cases will ever

## Bum Copies Are The Specialty Of This Brooklyn Collector

During the past few months Abraham Winick, 1440 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, New York has had the good fortune to obtain two unusual items for his well known collection of U. S. Freaks and Oddities.

The first was a complete sheet of C23—the present 6c Bi-color Air-Mail postage stamp, in which the vertical perforations are normal but the horizontal ones run diagonally across the whole sheet.

Now most people would be satisfied, but not the true philatelist. Very recently Mr. Winick had the pleasure and good fortune to locate a similar sheet of the same stamp in which the horizontal perforations are normal and the vertical ones run diagonally down the whole sheet.

These are only a few of the very unusual items which he has gathered in the course of his specialty. These freaks make a very interesting exhibition wherever shown, and Mr. Winick will be happy to exhibit at any of the New York City clubs, or those in the vicinity.

exceed the price of an ordinary postally used copy because of the huge demand for this class of material but that the precancelled items have reached this level is something that was once thought not probable. I doubt though if many of the original investors have any of their stock around to cash in on this uptrend.

A community so honest that no locks are needed on post office mail boxes there! Next week read D. D. Livingston's illustrated feature on amazing little De Lux, California.

## CALIFORNIA NEWS

By D. D. Livingston  
William O. Braecklein, eldest son of the president of the Los Angeles Philatelic club, has enlisted in the army. Stationed in the south, he writes, according to the club's bulletin, that "southern chicken dinners are not hard to take, and southern gals are easy on the eye."

A. W. Bloss has given up his column in the Los Angeles Times because defense work is taking up much of his time. That makes De Los E. Brando: the only newspaper stamp editor in Los Angeles. Bloss' son, William B., enlisted in the army recently.

A highlight of each meeting of the San Diego Stamp club is a program of short talks. A few members are called upon each time to tell of interesting collecting experiences, discuss current activities, or air their views on one of the hobby's controversial aspects. Visitors are invited, says president George J. Koehl Jr., to attend the sessions, which are held at 7:30 p. m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the Electric bldg., Sixth ave. and E st.

Former cover columnist Cpl. David Brockton Browne, currently stationed near a popular California resort, writes: "It's just like having a vacation—with the army paying the expenses."

With owner Howard L. Hanes gone with the draft, customers of the Bestamp co., Pasadena, have Hazel Benshoff working overtime, trying to keep up with the orders. Hanes is studying to be a radio technician at an East coast training school.

## AUSTRALIANS MOURN DOG 'POSTMAN'

"Toby, the dog postman," is gone, and grieving postal employees at Toowong, Australia, have erected a concrete slab in memory of his 10 years of service. For a decade he arrived at the post office at 7:30 a. m. daily to accompany a postman on a round. He would pay attention to none without a postman's whistle. —San Diego (Calif.) Union.

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# Albino Defense Stamps First Of Kind Found Most Unusual Variety

Pittsburg collectors seem to hold the edge at present on newly discovered varieties. Our issue of November 5th told of stamps printed over cellophane tape used to paste the paper together to feed it through the rotary presses at Washington.

Now comes another variety, something almost unheard of in stamps, an albino stamp. Albino envelopes are common and no one seems to pay any attention to them leastwise copies go begging at a few cents each. This will not be true of the new albino stamps which have been found and are illustrated in the column of P. B. Digby, Pittsburg newspaper columnist. The clipping from R. Cotter of Pittsburg shows a block of six 2c Defense stamps which is from the left pane of 100 stamps. In describing the variety Mr. Digby says the third stamp from the left edge of the sheet is fully printed and normal, the stamp to the left of this stamp towards the edge of the sheet is partially printed and fades away entirely along its left edge, while the stamp along the edge of the sheet is entirely without color or so little as to be unnoticeable. Thus we have an albino stamp so long as the stamp is in a block and tied to the other printed copies. Once this albino is removed from the other stamps and you have only another scrap of paper.

Such varieties are doubtless frequently found at Washington and should be destroyed, so that when one of them gets loose and into the stamp market we have a new rarity that will net its finder a handsome sum of money. In explaining this variety Mr. Digby says: "In printing engraved stamps, the paper is dampened so it will stretch when rolled and pick up the ink which is held in the engraved recesses of the design.

The paper at the left margin apparently became too dry for the ink to register properly."

Harvey Dolin & Co., 31 Park Row New York, have just released a new price list for 1943. Listing a complete line of United States stamps, the list is quite an elaborate one and is sent only on receipt of 10c which is refunded on your first order from the list.

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Mister Five By Five would have a snug fit if he moved into the post office at De Luz, Calif. It measures just eight by eight feet! An illustrated feature by D. D. Livingston in Linn's next week will tell the colorful story of this tiny station.

## PHILATELIC LITERATURE

NUMBER ONE

By WALTER J. ROZMIN  
3622 South Union, Chicago, Ill.

With foreign countries and islands all over the world in the headlines these days, our curiosity first turns us to our Atlas to locate these places, note what cities are there. Then, a look at Scott's catalog to see what types of stamps were issued by these countries. This casual interest may develop into our starting a new country or group of countries making another addition to our album.

Supposing we started to take an interest in a country such as the British Crown Colony, Seychelles, a group of islands in the Indian Ocean off the east coast of Africa. These are in the war zone but as yet no spotlight has been placed upon them. This is a country easy to collect, yet before starting, it is wise to lay the groundwork by securing the available handbooks or pamphlets written about these stamps.

From his early interest in stamp collecting a collector should have a working knowledge of stamp collecting at his finger tips by first forming a library of certain books besides his catalog. When he attempts to specialize on any subject, already having the fundamental groundwork, he should then acquire books or pamphlets on the particular country or subject that he intends to collect. This literature gives him the complete genealogy of the stamps up to the time the book was printed, or the knowledge the author has of his subject up to that time.

On Seychelles we find the following has been published: AFRICA. PART III. By E. D. Bacon. Published by the Philatelic Society. London, 1906. Illus. (Found on Pages 333 to 346).

THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF SEYCHELLES. (1890 to 1905) Ipp. By A. J. Foulger. Bradford, 1905. Illus.

THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF SEYCHELLES, By B. W. H. Poole. 64pp. London, 1906. Illus.

Questions regarding any points on philatelic literature will be gladly answered for return postage with inquiry.

## CLEVELAND NEWS

The Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland is doing something that other clubs in Ohio can do to their own advantage. The club is gathering sales tax receipts which as we all know are redeemable at 3% of face value. At their November 13th meeting which is a dinner meeting the club is offering a free dinner to the two who turn in the most receipts at that meeting.

At the November 20th Garfield-Perry meet the annual Open House party will be the feature. This is mentioned elsewhere in this issue of the Weekly and for the November 27th meeting the club meets in a joint meeting with the Cleveland Stamp Club. Russ Hagans who is in charge of the entertainment for this meet has arranged to show a motion picture titled "The Song of the City." Members are urged to bring their family for this event which will be a big social and family meeting with entertainment for all.

We have wondered why the Radio is not playing that popular song of a few years ago, "Yes We Have No Bananas." It would be quite fitting today and certainly is due for a revival. At the November 24th meeting of the Cleveland Stamp Club, Miss Maud Flannery is going to talk to the club about Bananas, the subject being around the Costa Rica stamp Number 119 which pictures this missing link. At the same meeting Everett N. Ong will tell about some "Famous Philatelists."

## GET MORE ENJOYMENT OUT OF YOUR STAMPS

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shown only in the collections of the wealthy collector.

This same amount of money invested in the stamps of any South or Central American country would provide them with a collection that would make their name known from coast to coast as a specialist and authority on the stamps of that country.

Instead of a single volume of United States stamps, the same amount of money invested in one of these countries would provide you with several volumes of stamps and covers and there are plenty of interesting pieces in the way of proofs, specimens etc., that can be acquired by a bit of searching.

One need not look for further proof of the desirability and value of the stamps of any country when a thorough collection is built, than to scan the Catalogue of the Lee Collection of Uruguay as sold by H. R. Harmer, Inc., or the description of the Brazil of Colonel Hans Lagerloef as sold by the same firm.

That stamps of South American and Central American countries are interesting, attractive and well worth collecting is fully demonstrated by these sales. In the case of the Uruguay collection, the sellers stated that a wealthy collector of Montevideo, Uruguay made a special trip to New York for the purpose of bidding at this sale. Such events are not uncommon in sales of choice stamps of any country and while to appear in person is an outstanding event, many wealthy collectors in other countries commission New York or London dealers to buy for them in such sales. This demonstrates clearly that stamps have a world wide market as is so often stated. There is every indication that this market will grow better and stronger for with the great increase in the number of stamps in the world, general collecting falls off and collectors in any one country become more interested in the stamps of their own country. It is this fact more than any other that has brought about in the last twenty years the overwhelming interest in U. S. stamps in our own country. Collectors in other countries collect the stamps of their country for the same reason and therefore create again a market for the stamps of each country in turn. Why therefore, if you collect stamps partly for the pleasure and interest you get from them, why not take up a country that will give you more opportunity, because of less competition and which will at the same time permit you to become a recognized collector, rather than just another fellow who has a small collection of United States stamps.

In closing, it might be mentioned that the Lee Collection of Uruguay brought a total of \$35,200 the highest sum ever realized from the sale of a single South American country. The outstanding pieces were a block of four of the 80 centavos of the first issue which brought \$2000, while a block of fifteen, not in such perfect condition sold at \$7100.00. Throughout the sale were nearly forty other lots which sold at from over one hundred up to over eight hundred dollars per lot with hundreds of smaller lots at all kinds of prices.

The Lagerloef collection of Brazil as one single lot, was sold at auction in open bidding for \$5650. The belief of the owner in the soundness of the stamp market was justified in this instance for it was the first time that a single country in highly specialized form was sold as a single lot at auction and the price fetched was ample proof of the value of stamps.

Why not pick a country now, start building a specialized collection of that country.

The best way to make that start is to keep the fact to yourself until you have pretty well combed the market for what you can find. Buying large lots by country at auction will provide you the best start. Then ask for approvals together with unusual pieces, proofs, essays, covers, from dealers. Go quietly about your task at the start as too often

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## AIR MAIL COVERS

SAMUEL S. GOLDSTICKER, JR. (Dept. Ed.)  
453 Mt. Prospect Avenue Newark, N. J.

Flash—San Diego, Calif., will be added to AM-4 between Phoenix, Ariz., and Los Angeles, Calif., in the very near future. The first flight may have taken place by the time this appears in print—ask your postoffice or American Airlines office before mailing out covers.)

Airmail service between Cincinnati, Ohio, and St. Louis, Mo., over AM-58 was inaugurated on AM-58. There are also possibilities that Cincinnati was made a stop on AM-2 on the same date (definite information will be given when available.)

Covers from St. Louis AMF are cancelled Nov. 2, 1942 4-AM, and also bear a circular red rubber-stamped marking "SAINT LOUIS MO. A. M. F. NOV. 2, 1942". Covers from the Saint Louis post-office are cancelled Nov. 2, 1942 at 3-AM. Covers are backstamped at Cincinnati (General Delivery) Nov. 2, 1942.

All covers from Cincinnati (including those marked "East via AM-2 are cancelled November 1, 1942 12-M Westbound are backstamped at St. Louis (Gen Del.) Nov. 2 1942. Those covers marked EAST are back-stamped at Pittsburgh (Gen Del.) Nov. 2, 1942.

Also on hand are covers cancelled at the Pittsburgh, Pa., AMF Nov. 1, 10:30 AM, and marked

FIRST FLIGHT INTO CINCINNATI VIA AM-2. However, it is not known at this time whether this was a direct flight via AM-2 or a combination of AM-2 to Dayton and then via AM-58 to Cincinnati. Both of these routes are operated by Transcontinental & Western Airlines (TWA), and "Coast-to-Coast" planes could be routed through Cincinnati via a combination of both of these routes. Covers carried West from Pittsburgh are also backstamped CINCINNATI NOV. 2, 1942. There were no cachets used on any of these covers. Details as to quantities of covers carried will be given in a later issue.

## UNCLE SAM METER

The Pioneer Bank of Chattanooga, Tenn., has had a special Meter slug made for use on its mail. The bank wanted something with a patriotic flavor and had John Coulthard design such a slug. The new marking is a picture of Uncle Sam as the central part of a Victory cancel. The cancel has attracted attention all over the country and liberal newspaper space has been given to mention of it. We understand that collectors who want a specimen may obtain same for 3c in coin, not stamps.

## NEW EIRE AIR SERVICE

A new service of Irish Air Lines is reported to be operating three days a week. Daily flights will be made if there is sufficient patronage, it is said.—D. D. L.

dealers prices have a way of going up when interest is shown in any particular stamps.

Eventually, if possible, endeavor to get a correspondence and exchange contact in the country in which you are interested. Very often, many interesting things can be had very cheaply for cash or trade. At the same time, gather what you can find in books and pamphlets on the country. Use a cheap album to start with for in building a collection of this type you will mount and remount many times before you are finally finished with it.

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## STAMPIC RAMBLINGS

By EMBY

(Continued from last week.)

### CONSTITUTIONAL POST OFFICE:

In 1775 was established the first "Rebel" post office, an American venture which soon put the British system out of business. At its head was Benjamin Franklin as Postmaster General. In a brief time an important improvement in the service was announced thus "Now a letter goes from Boston to Philadelphia instead of three weeks as formerly". Here we have room for the imagination when this is considered "an improvement."

#### "Bootlegging" the Mails—

It had been for so long a habit with people to send letters by anybody who would carry them—either for nothing or for a small fee—that this dishonest practice continued many years. It was finally overcome by the simple fact that the rate of postage was so low that it did not pay to "bootleg" it.

The Dream of Governments and public had always been a uniform rate of postage, to be prepaid by the sender, with delivery guaranteed. And in England, in 1840, this dream came true through the inventive genius of Rowland Hill, an educator and authority on administration. He recommended the adoption of "the penny post for mail not weighing over half an ounce" and to insure payment he made this suggestion—

The difficulties might be overcome by using a bit of paper just large enough to bear the (canceling) stamp; covered at the back with a glutinous wash which, by applying moisture, might be attached to the letter."

In these few, homely words was born the postage stamp. Not only was this invention given worldwide acceptance for its practical value, but for the educational effect—for these small bits of paper carry a message of national progress. The reproduction of a postage stamp (until recent years) was forbidden by law, but it is interesting to follow the meaning of some of the Commemorative stamps which depict the events and men who have helped make our history. It must be borne in mind that the date of the stamp issue and the date it commemorates may be centuries apart.

Let us not commit the error made by the small boy, who seeing the picture of Columbus on a stamp dated 1893, said "Oh look, mother that date ought to be 1492; they've got it all wrong."

By the way, this story of Columbus's adventures is beautifully told in the issue of the Columbian Exposition in 1893. The value of the stamps range from one cent to five dollars and all tell a stirring story of achievement—from the picture showing Columbus at the Spanish court pleading for

help, to the explorer when, accompanied by Indians, he visits the court in triumph, bringing with him, the living, amazing proof of another land.

Not only the discoveries but various attempts at colonization of our Country are described.

We have portraits of most of our famous historical characters, including a striking picture of Pocahontas on a one cent stamp issued in 1907 to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown. One issue is called the Pilgrim Tercentary Issue and is remarkable for the fact that neither the letters U. S. nor the word "Postage" appear thereon.

In the design of stamps the religious side of our history has not been neglected. One issue of May 1924, is in honor of the first Huguenot settlement made here. It is not generally realized that 150 years after the Huguenot settlement, one of their descendants watched for a light in the Old North Church and when the lantern flashed made the most famous ride in American History. Yes, Paul Revere was of Huguenot Blood.

#### "Victory"

In March, 1919, was issued the famous "Victory" stamp on which for the first time, foreign flags hang with our Stars and Stripes. The issue was to celebrate the close of the World War. Other special War stamps include the one issued on November 11, 1922 to honor the fourth anniversary of the Armistice. The tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery is in the foreground. And so goes the interesting and instructive story of our land told in postage stamps. The number and beauty would fill volumes of description.

Pilgrims landing on Plymouth Rock—Indians—Explorers... missionaries... fur trader... the battle of Lexington... the "minute man"—taken from the statue at Concord... the Liberty Bell and such vital names as Washington, Jefferson, Franklin, Alexander Hamilton, the tragic figure of the patriot Nathan Hale, George Rogers Clark, the victor of Vincennes, and many

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## AUSTRALIAN STAMPS

Private George Raybin sends us a few items from Australia among which is a copy of the 2p scarlet No. 169 and another 2p of identical design in a violet or purple color. He wants to know if we can explain these. The latter stamp is evidently Scott No. 182A which they describe as "red violet." Why they include the misleading prefix "red" is a question, for certainly the stamp is a plain enough violet or pale purple to stand on its own color.

Looking at the catalogue we note that Mr. Clark has described the surcharge of 3½p as used over the 3p ultramarine stamp, No. 189 as being in blue and yellow. We suggest Mr. Clark consult printers on this item and list the stamp as being surcharged in blue and gold.

A couple other interesting pieces from Australia are a couple of the plain paper facing slips used in Postoffices. These are used on the Military Mail, one of them bearing such printed words, the other having the words rubber stamped. One piece is a facing slip made up with the mail at an American Port and marked "All for —nd. Gen. Hospital." The other is a facing slip marked as above with red pencil and with the usual Postal Cancel mark of APO and number. Probably for mail separated at that point.

Another postal marking is one in an oblong frame about two inches long which frames the word "MISSENT TO A. P. O. and the number.

A new 48 page price list of United States Stamps is at hand from the Northwestern Stamp Company of Milwaukee. The list prices both used and unused stamps in singles and blocks and an added feature is a listing of complete mint sheets.

Himmes, he states that he is a plain stamp collector and does not hunt for cracks nor collect covers. His hair is brown, not gray, and he can probably credit that to his having forsown monkeying with the flyspecks of philately.

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Because of the many inquiries from former patrons, I have decided to produce a small line of strictly plain printed items for collectors and dealers. All of these items will be made in large lots so that dealers who wish to buy them may buy in bulk quantities at lower prices than they could buy in small lots from their local printers. No packaged items will be wholesaled to dealers. Small packs will be sold retail to collectors.

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## Claimed To Be First Lady Stamp Collector

(Chicago Tribune)

M. G. Himmes, a shut-in, who writes the Chicago column in Stamplets, a monthly stamp story magazine, sends information concerning the first woman who collected stamps. At least he believes that the late Mrs. A. Jessop, Sr., was the first woman stamp collector in America. Mrs. Jessop came from a seafaring family and had three brothers to supply her with stamps when they returned from voyages. Among her possessions were a shoebox full of Cape triangles, a number of Providence provisionals, and a quantity of confederates taken from a captured blockade runner.

In 1875 her entire collection went to a son, Arthur S. Jessop, who resided in Cambridge, Mass. It was sold to a Boston dealer for \$1,500 and a gun, when the young Mr. Jessop was about to enter Harvard. Mr. Jessop, who was born in 1856, still lives and collects stamps. In a letter to Mr.